

examine and revise the said draft, and report thereon to their respective houses, as early as may be practicable, with such modifications, alterations, or amendments thereof, as, in their opinion, may appear necessary and proper. We therefore respectfully propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to unite said committees, believing that the objects contemplated by the respective references may be thereby greatly promoted. And we further propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, that said committees meet together, and sit during the sittings of our respective houses, and when so united, that they have power to send for such persons and papers as, in their opinion, may be deemed necessary.

On motion by Mr. Banning, the following message was submitted, read, and ordered to lie on the table, viz.

By the House of Delegates, Jan. 15th, 1827.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message, proposing to go into the election of bank directors on the part of the state, on Tuesday, the 23d inst. at 12 o'clock, and concur therewith.

On motion by Mr. Chapman, the following preamble and order were submitted, twice read, and adopted, viz.

Whereas, the committee of ways and means have been satisfied that it will be impracticable for the several clerks and registers to furnish the necessary information required of them by an order of this house, passed on the tenth of this month, Therefore, Ordered, that the order passed on the tenth of this month, requiring the clerks of the county courts, registers of wills, register in chancery, clerks of the courts of appeals, and clerk of the city court of Baltimore, to report the amount of fees and emoluments which have accrued in their respective offices, and received during the years eighteen hundred and twenty-four, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, and eighteen hundred and twenty-six, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

On motion by Mr. Peach, the following order was submitted:

Ordered, That the committee of ways and means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing the act, entitled, An act to tax certain offices, and that said committee report thereon to this house as early as may be.

Which having been twice read, the question was propounded on the adoption thereof? Resolved in the affirmative, yeas 28, nays 27.

Alexander M. Ilhenny, esquire, a delegate returned as duly elected for Frederick county, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of John C. Cockey, esquire, appear-